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In re application of :
Jun TANABE et al. : Docket No.00724/P11-225315/AM/CUB/US
Serial No. 09/514,338 : Group Art Unit 3682
Filed February 28, 2000 : Examiner C. Kim
STEERING WHEEL AND
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME :

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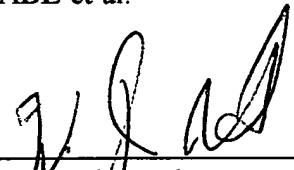
Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of April 4, 2001, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-3, drawn to an apparatus of a steering wheel, without traverse, for further prosecution. In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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